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1. Data processing system comprising:
an audio processing means receiving data within said data processing system for converting said data into an analog signal with a first and a second analog channel;

an audio output means receiving said analog signal and providing a first and second output signal wherein said first output signal is provided for a loudspeaker and said output second signal is provided for a headset;

said audio processing means upon a control signal either provide an audio signal on said first or on said second channel.

2. Data processing system according to claim 1, wherein said data processing system is coupled with a data network and said receiving data are packetized audio data.

3. Data processing system according to claim 1, wherein said data processing system is coupled with a telephony network and said receiving data are telephony (analog or digital) audio data.

4. Data processing system according to claim 1, wherein said system is a telephony over network system.

5. Data processing system according to claim 1, wherein said control signal is generated by a manual input device coupled with said data processing system.

6. Method for providing audio signals within a data processing system comprising the steps of:
receiving a digital signal representing an audio signal;
receiving a control signal;

5 processing said digital signal to generate a two channel signal and
6 upon said control signal providing said signal for either a first or a second
7 audio channel, wherein said first signal is provided for a loudspeaker and said
8 second signal is provided for a headset;
9 converting said first and second signals into analog signals.

1 7. Method according to claim 6, wherein said digital signal is
2 provided by a telephony over network system and said control signal is
3 received after a ringing signal is detected.

1 8. Method according to claim 7, wherein the ringing signal is output
2 on both audio channels.

1 9. Method according to claim 7, wherein the ringing signal is output
2 on one audio channel.

1 10. Data processing system comprising:
2 an audio processing means receiving data within said data processing
3 system for converting said data into an analog signal;
4 a switching means receiving said analog signal and having a first and
5 second output wherein said first output is provided for a loudspeaker and said
6 second output is provided for a headset;
7 said switching means upon a control signal either couple said audio
8 signal with said first or second output.

1 11. Data processing system according to claim 10, further
2 comprising means for receiving a manual input of a user and for generating
3 said control signal after an incoming call is detected.

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